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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Acting Executive

COAPS

Assistant Director, ORE Assistant Director, OSD Assistant Director, OSD Assistant Director, OPC Assistant Director, OPC

Chief, Inspection & Security Staff

General Counsel

SUBJECT:

Peripheral Reporting

- 1. To compensate for the continuing rapid decrease in quality and quantity of information from the USSR and areas under its control, a peripheral reporting system is being organized at particular Foreign Service posts by the Department of State.
- 2. Since this undertaking is vital to the production of intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency is lending full indorsement and assistance to the project.
- 3. Within CIA all operating questions on peripheral reporting are to be coordinated through COAPS. COAPS will receive full support on applicable problems from particular Staffs and Offices of CIA.

Signer

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